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FRANK KANE/LOUISE KANE/STEPHEN KANE

Frank Kane was an early pioneer in Alaska. The first mention of him in the LoC newspapers is in 1896. Based on his obituary, he came to Douglas in 1884. This makes his token, B-25, a candidate for the first token issued in Alaska, along with Dave Martin and North Pacific Trading & Packing Co. In 1893 he established a store in Hoonah.¹ He is soon found in Douglas, but returning to the Hoonah area to prospect.

Douglas Miner, August 26, 1896.

Frank Kane is spending a few days near Sumdum.



Douglas Miner, October 21, 1896.

Frank Kane and C.D. Knapp who but recently returned from a prospecting trip in the neighborhood of Hoonah intend leaving the city again tomorrow to prospect the country about twenty miles above the place visited by them on their last trip.

When in Douglas Stop at

The Island Lodging House

FRANK KANE, Proprietor

Neatly Furnished Rooms by the Day or Week

Terms Reasonable

Front Street - - - - - Douglas, Alaska

Douglas Miner, October 21, 1896

Douglas Island News, May 31, 1899.

Mr. Frank Kane, accompanied by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ross, started this morning on the Flosie for the Yukon. Mrs. Ross goes to join her husband, who has been in the interior for some time. She will be sadly missed in Douglas, for during her residence here no entertainment was complete without her assistance. A large crowd of her friends gathered at the wharf to bid her a good bye.

Douglas Island News, June 14, 1899.

MR. FRANK KANE DROWNED

One of Our Citizens Loses His Life in Lake Linderman on the Evening of the 5th. Leaves a Wife and Children

Frank Kane, a resident of Douglas City, was drowned in Lake Linderman on the afternoon of the 5th of this month. Mr. Kane was 38 years old and a native of the state of Massachusetts. He came to Alaska some fifteen year ago and has resided here ever since. He leaves a wife and two children, age four and five years.

Mr. F.M James was at the lake at the time Mr. Kane lost his life. He wrote his wife an account of the sad occurrence and she has kindly consented to let us take the following extracts:

"This is a hard letter for me to write as I am all broke up this morning, for Frank Kane and another man were drowned in Lake Linderman last night. There were three of them in the

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

The F.H. Kane token from Douglas is one of the earliest Alaskan tokens. But when Frank Kane died in 1899, his wife carried on.

We have articles on Thomas Dalgity and Fred Mattson, and then several short pieces on other token issuers.

We are all familiar with the chit books issued by the military for NCO Clubs and Open Messes. In searching "coupon book" on the LoC, I have found reference to similar items. Have any of these survived? See pages 43 and 48.

Also on page 43, you will see that my minion and I have been having too much fun in my Mincor Mint.

This month on eBay, military tokens continue to do well. But the star was not on eBay, but Numismatic Auctions, Ltd. of Lansing, MI. An unlisted Ft. Davis Post Exchange \$1 token brought \$3,300! Modern military tokens are setting new highs, while some (not reported here) are going unsold.

Included with this issue are the Alaska lots from our April 13 auction. Email PDF subscribers will be receiving the complete auction as an additional attachment. If you are a print subscriber and would like a complete copy, please let us known.

Next issue we will be looking at slot machine tokens and where they were used in Alaska. We hope that you find it of interest

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PRICES REALIZED

Selected prices realized from eBay:

Anchorage , Union Club, 5,25,50¢, B-38 a,c,d	8.59
Campion AFS , NCO OM, \$1, B-1b	37.50
Cape Lisbourne , 711th NCO OM, 10¢, B-1c	224.72
Cape Lisbourne , 711th NCO OM, 5¢, B-1b	260.55
Cape Romanzof , NCO Club, 25¢, B-1f	224.72
Cordova , Rosswoog, 6¼¢, B-34b	18.50
Eielson AFB , NCO Rocker Club, 50¢, B-5bl	5.50
Fairbanks/Eielson , AK Coachways, B-T1a	14.50
Fairbanks , Ladd/UA, AK Coachways, B-T1b	38.88



Ft. Davis , Post Exchange, \$1, alum. 25/35 mm B-unl.	3,300.00*
Ft. Yukon , FY Hotel, 25¢, B-4a	8.00OB
Gambell , Reindeer C.C., 1¢-\$1, B-1 a-f	46.00
Hoonah , Icy Straits, 10¢, B-2a	33.87
Hoonah , Hoonah Pkg. Co., 5¢-\$1, B-1 a,b,c,dII,e	54.00
Juneau , NY Exchange, 6¼¢, B-53bl	23.09
Ketchikan , Stedman Hotel, 12½¢, B-60bl, corr.	10.50
Ketchikan , Alaska Cab, full fare, B-T1a	35.00
Ketchikan , White Cab, 1 fare, B-T6a	29.00
Northeast Cape , 712 NCO OM, 5¢, B-1a	25.00OB
North Pole , Santa Claus House encased cent	12.50
Nulato , H&H Enterprises, FST set	207.50
Palmer , Elks 1842, 50¢, B-6a	7.00OB
Palmer , Moose, 50¢, B-2a	12.50
Palmer , Palmer Shrimp, 10¢, B-7a (tentative)	38.00
Port Alexander , John Jacobsen, 12½¢, B-3a	26.00
Port Alexander , John Jacobsen, 50¢, B-3b	32.00
Port Alexander , T.J. Jacobsen, 50¢, B-4a	10.09
Port Alexander , T.J. Jacobsen, \$1, B-4b	31.00
Shemya , NCO OM, 10¢, B-2dII	25.00B
Shemya , NCO OM, 50¢, B-2gI	19.99OB
Shemya , NCO OM, \$1, B-2i	158.01
Shemya , NCO OM, \$1, B-2j	49.95OB
Sparevohn , 719 ACW Sq., \$1, B-1j	133.50
Tin City , NCO Club, B-1c	191.38
Yes Bay , APF, 5¢, B-3a	104.50
Yes Bay , APF, \$1, B-3c	99.95OB
Rutlander , \$1, (B-2c)	27.77

*Numismatic Auctions Ltd.

OB = Opening Bid; NB = No Bid; RL = relist; R = Reserve; RNM = Reserve Not Met; W = withdrawn BIN = Buy it now; BOA = Best Offer Accepted; DNS = Did Not Sell; SUP = sold, unknown price. FTR = see For the Record.

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canoe and one of them became frightened and upset the boat.

"I am sending out this morning to try and recover the body."

The deceased had a large amount of money on his person in a belt. Two of our citizens, Chas. Carlton and George Shotter, the latter his wife's brother, left this city for Lake Linderman last Friday, and every effort will be made to recover the body.

Mr. Kane was a very popular man and was well known all over Alaska. He owns a large hotel and saloon building in this city, beside much other valuable property and is considered well fixed financially.

Douglas Island News, July 12, 1899.

Stephen Kane arrived this city Monday evening. He was just out from Dawson City. He states that Mrs. Ross arrived in Dawson all safe and sound.

Stephen Kane was Frank Kane's brother.

Douglas Island News, July 19, 1899.

Dastardly If True

Alaska Truth

Truth was informed yesterday by a man who claims to have the story from the witness of the fiendish deed that when the body of the who was drowned with Frank Kane at Bennett was discovered, that the mounted police took it into a shed and took \$500 from the deceased clothes and cut off the fingers of the dead man to gain possession of the rings.

Was "Alaska Truth" the National Enquirer of its day?

Now, we look at Mrs. Louise Kane, widow of Frank Kane.

Douglas Island News, July 26, 1899.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, has been duly appointed by the Probate Court for the District of Alaska, at Juneau, administratrix of the estate of Frank H. Kane, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same properly verified as by law required to the Administratrix at the law office of John

R. Winn at Juneau, Alaska, that being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, within six months from the date hear of.

Dated this 19th day of July, 1899.

Louise Kane

Administratrix of the estate of

Frank H. Kane, deceased.

Douglas Island News, July 17, 1901.

A quiet wedding took place at the Catholic church in this city last Wednesday at 3 o'clock p.m. The contracting parties were Mr. Stephen J. Kane and Mrs. Mary Louise Kane, both of Douglas.

Douglas Island News, July 24, 1901.

Mr. Stephen Kane went to Hoonah Village last week.

It appears that Mr. Kane is setting the ground work for a move to Hoonah

In 1902 Stephen brought his wife Louise and his brother's two children, Rose and May, to Hoonah. In 1912 Louise and Stephen had a child, Patricia.¹

Mrs. Kane disappears from the LoC newspaper until 1912. But she is in the directories, in Hoonah as follows:

1905 - General merchant & Postmaster

1907 - General merchant & Postmaster

1909-10 - General merchant, Postmaster, Wharf

1010-11 - As above, plus sawmill

Stephen does not appear in the directories. It appears that Mrs. Kane was the driving force.

Douglas Island News, June 19, 1912.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

TRADE AND MANUFACTURING SITE

Juneau, Alaska, June 11, 1912.

Notice is hereby given, that L. Kane, citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty-one years, and residing in the District of Alaska, and at Hoonah, Alaska, has under the pursuant to Secs. 12 and 13 of an Act of Congress of date March 3rd, 1891, as amended by Section 10 of an Act of Congress of date May 13th, 1898, entitled "An Act extending the homestead laws and providing for the right of way for railroads in the District of Alaska, and for other purposes," applied to purchase the lands embraced in U.S. Non-Mineral Survey No. 669, situated on west shore of Excursion Inlet, two miles from

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its head, in the District of Alaska and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at cor. No. 1 M.C....(a precise legal description follows)...

Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of said land are required to file an adverse claim with the Register and Receiver of the U.S. Land Office at Juneau, Alaska, during the period of publication, or within thirty day thereafter, otherwise proof and entry of said land will be made by said applicant.

Louise Kane
U.S. Land Office, Juneau, Alaska June 11, 1912.

Alaska Daily Empire, Juneau, September 17, 1917.
Douglas, Sept. 17. - Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kane arrived from Hoonah yesterday in their big launch the Patricia, and will be in town a few days, occupying their own house near Eagle Hall. Mr. Kane says the season which is now drawing to a close has been a very prosperous one. He operates a small sawmill a short distance from Hoonah, while Mrs. Kane conducts a general merchandise store at Hoonah.

Daily Alaska Empire, Juneau, September 17, 1938.

JOHN STEPHEN KANE, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Louise Kane has filed a petition...she be awarded certain real and personal property of the estate of the above deceased...

Mrs. Kane was believed to be half Tlingit¹ so perhaps this is why she had to file a petition on her husband's estate.

In 1944, she is still increasing her real property.

Daily Alaska Empire, Juneau, October 11, 1944.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL LAND OFFICE

District Land Office
Anchorage, Alaska
Sept. 25, 1944.

Notice is hereby given that Louise Kane had made application...3.51 acres, adjoining the Townsite of Hoonah, Alaska...

Daily Alaska Empire, Juneau, April 18, 1949.
MRS. LOUISE KANE DIES AT HOME

Mrs. Louise Kane died yesterday afternoon in the Fosbee Apartments. Funeral arrangements will be

made and announced by Charles W. Carter Mortuary.

Mrs. Hugh Daniels of Hoonah, daughter of the deceased, was expected to arrive today from Hoonah.

Daily Alaska Empire, April 19, 1949.

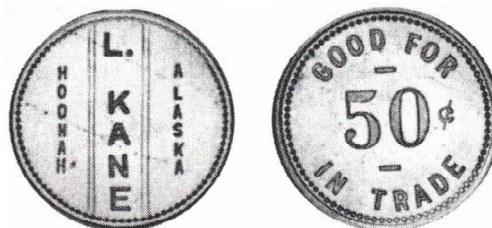
FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. LOUISE KANE, 80

Two services will be held for Mrs. Louise Kane, 80 year old Alaskan pioneer who died at her home Sunday afternoon.

Rosary services are to be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in the chapel of the Charles W. Carter Mortuary.

Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in the Catholic church.

Mrs. Kane, who was born November 12, 1868 on Orcas Island, Wash., spent a number of years as store proprietor and postmaster at Hoonah.



Presumably, this series of tokens was issued some time after 1899. The tokens appear more modern, perhaps in the 1920s or 1930s.



Tokens issued after her death would include the Food Stamp Credit tokens and a wooden 25¢ check cashing token. These tokens carry the statement "Since 1893."

¹archives.hunaheritage.org

GALENA



Tundra Times, Fairbanks, January 21, 1963

The history of Galena dates back to Old Louden. In the 1890s and early 1900s, gold-seekers found their way into the Old Louden area. Among these people were J.W. Evans and Al Nollner, relatives of present-day prominent Galena residents in the Native village.



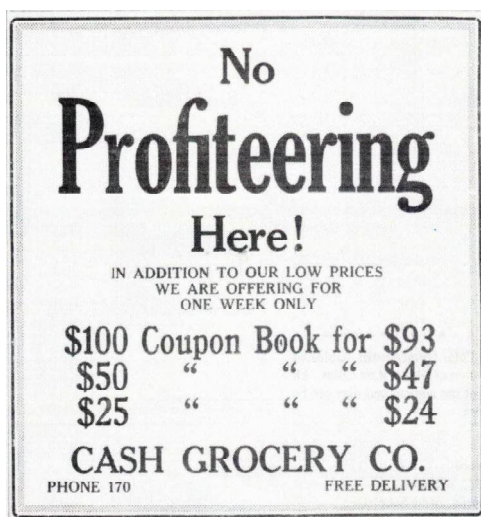
Nollner, who came to the Forty-Mile area in the gold rush days drifted around the country, and in 1904 started a store in the Old Louden village.

COUPON BOOKS

Douglas Island News, December 21, 1904.

CASH AT THE DOUGLAS MARKET

On and after January 1st the Douglas City Meat Market will be run on a cash basis and coupon credit system. No credit will be extended except to those carrying coupon books.



Cordova Daily Times, September 6, 1919.

FAIRBANKS COIN CLUB 2024 TOKENS



This year the FCC tokens were made by my minion, Liza Claar. Liza has been spending a lot of time in my mint working on a presentation on mint errors for the club, which she presented at the meeting on March 6. In keeping with her presentation, the FCC token this year presents an example of a mint error - sort of.

A brockage is when a coin fails to eject from between the dies and another blank is fed in. This coin that is not ejected acts as a die, leaving its impression on the next coin struck. In the classic example, the result is a normal obverse, with the reverse being an incuse, reversed image of the obverse.

Since we do not have the sophisticated equipment that the U.S. Mint has, she simulated a brockage using a Lincoln Cent. This becomes the reverse die.

As you can see, the token has a reversed image of a Lincoln Cent on the reverse.

But as an added bonus, which I did not see until I was preparing this article, it is double struck! The tokens had to be pressed twice to get the full image. They were not removed from between the die and the Lincoln Cent die between pressings, but sometimes the dies shifted.

The obverse of the token is double struck, with images rotating quite a bit. The reverse has nice shifting on the date and lettering, making it look like a doubled die cent was used. Not all tokens exhibit these "defects."

If you would like an example of this 1/10 oz. silver token, including the cent used as the reverse die, contact Liza at tundratokens@hotmail.com.



THOMAS DALGITY

WRANGELL B-2

We have had a little about Thomas Dalgity in previous issues, but here is more.

Wrangell Sentinel, June 3, 1920.

Thomas Dalgity Receives Appointment as Deputy U.S. Marshal at Wrangell

Thomas Dalgity last evening received a cablegram from the United States Marshal J.M. Tanner appointing him deputy marshal at Wrangell, the appointment to take effect as soon as his oath of office reaches him. Mr. Dalgity has been jailer at Wrangell for several years.

Wrangell Sentinel, October 13, 1921.

Thomas Dalgity, former Deputy U.S. Marshal, Mrs. Dalgity and their son Harry left on the Seattle for Oakland, Calif., for an indefinite stay. Two sons, Weston Dalgity and Lloyd Dalgity, have responsible positions with Oakland firms and Mr. and Mrs. Dalgity may decide to locate in California.

Wrangell Sentinel, August 21, 1924.

Thomas Dalgity announces that he has purchased from Mary V. Johnson the building on Front street recently occupied by R. Craven as a soft drink stand. Mr. Dalgity plans to conduct a cigar stand, and will also carry as a stock of confectionery. In addition to this he will also have the choicest fruits on sale.

Star Cigar Store

SMOKERS SUPPLIES
CANDY AND FRUIT
ROOMS TO RENT

TOM DALGITY, Proprietor

Wrangell Sentinel, September 4, 1924.



Star Cigar Store

THOMAS DALGITY, Proprietor

FURNISHED ROOMS

WRANGELL - - ALASKA

Wrangell Sentinel, April 15, 1925.

Wrangell Sentinel, April 7, 1933.

Thomas Dalgity Elected Mayor...

In a hotly contested election, 364 votes, the largest known in a Wrangell city election, were cast last Tuesday at the City Hall. Last year there were 291 ballots cast which was a record city election vote up to that time.

Thomas Dalgity won the election for mayor over F.S. Barnes, the present incumbent...

Considerable interest centered in the dog question which appeared on the ballots, whether dogs should by ordinance be prohibited from running at large on the streets.

Another question submitted to the voters was in regard to official time for the City. Since last April, Pacific Standard time has been used and the opposition to it by many residents of Wrangell last fall resulted in a special appeal from the School Board and other to change back to Sitka Standard time.

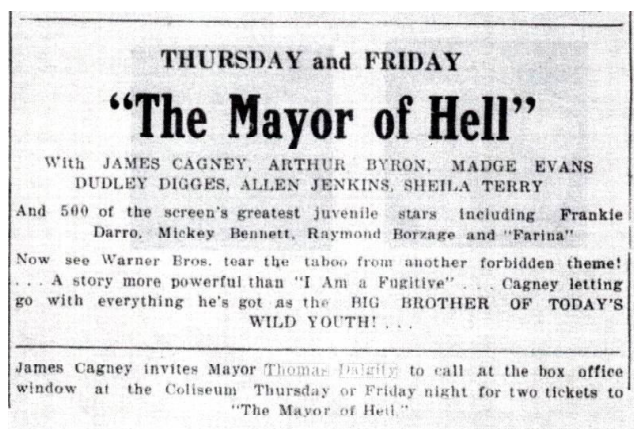
The election recount returns were as follows:

For Mayor - Frank Barnes, 142; Thomas Dalgity, 221.

Pacific Standard Time, 201; Sitka Standard Time, 107.

Dogs - Prohibiting running at large, 155; favoring dogs running at large, 162.

THOMAS DALGITY, CONT.



Coliseum (Theatre)
Wrangell Sentinel, March 16, 1934.

Note at the bottom of the ad:

James Cagney invites Mayor Thomas Dalgity to call at the box office window at the Coliseum Thursday or Friday night for two tickets to "The Mayor of Hell."

Did the theater have a beef with the mayor, was this a joke, or was this an advertising ploy by the movie's producers?

Wrangell Sentinel, March 23, 1934.

Dalgity declines to Enter Race for Mayor's Office

Wrangell Sentinel, June 21, 1935.

Funeral Service Held for Mrs. Thos. Dalgity

Mrs. Mary Dalgity, wife of Thomas Dalgity, passed away Tuesday evening at Bishop Rowe General Hospital. The end came quickly and was caused by coronary occlusion. She had been in apparently good health until two months ago when she suffered a severe heart attack.

Wrangell Sentinel, June 21, 1935.

Six Liquor Licenses Granted Wrangell to Date by Board

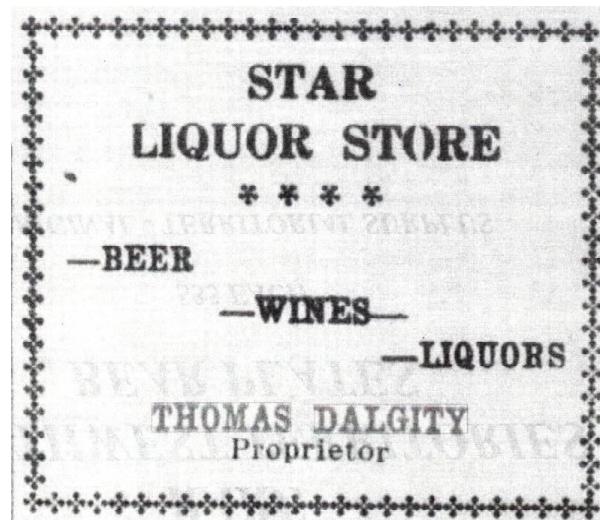
The Board of Liquor Control at Juneau in a telegram received yesterday by the Sentinel, states that the following licenses have been issued by the board to date for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936:

Thomas Dalgity (B-2), Wyatt and Cramer, Sam Cunningham, John M. Spath (Craig B-4), John G. Grant (B-4,9,11), Frederick Cunningham (B-1), Mrs. Warren R. Chisholm.

Wrangell Sentinel, December 26, 1941.

Wrangell Liquor Licenses Approved

All existing liquor licenses in Wrangell were approved by the Town Council at its meeting Monday night. Only changes were those of name, Bill Jenkins who has been operating the Star Liquor Store for Thomas Dalgity, taking over in his name...



Wrangell Sentinel, February 6, 1942

Did Dalgity resume ownership/management of the Star Liquor Store?

Wrangell Sentinel, June 14, 1946.

Thomas Dalgity, Wrangell Pioneer Is Laid To Rest

Funeral services were held here this afternoon at 2:30 for Thomas Dalgity, pioneer and longtime resident of Wrangell...

Born in Edinburgh, Scotland, on November 9, 1869, Mr. Dalgity came to the United States with his mother seventeen years later to join his father in Astoria, Oregon. Later he married Mary Amundsen and in 1893 they came to Alaska. Dalgity worked in Bristol Bay at that time.

In 1901 the family came to Wrangell and Mr. Dalgity became a leader in the community, serving as U.S. Deputy Marshal, many years as Councilman and as Mayor.

Wrangell Sentinel, June 21, 1946.

Card of Thanks - *We wish to thank all the kind friends of Wrangell for the beautiful floral offerings and tribute to our beloved father, the late Thomas Dalgity who passed away and was buried in Wrangell last week. Harry, Weston and Lloyd Dalgity.*

DIAMANTE ZARELLI

ANCHORAGE B-7.1



There is a nice article on Zarelli in the December, 2001 issue of this newsletter by Ron Greene. These ads give a little substance to his short time in Anchorage.

**THE ARCADE
POOL ROOM**

SOFT DRINKS OF ALL KINDS.
CIGARS : TOBACCOS : FRUITS

D. ZARELLI, Propr. **Fourth Ave., bet. C and D**

Snabdieven raznim cigari, cigarete duhanom i candy, Cdena voda na counteru uvijek. Preporuca se slavenima.

Anchorage Daily times & Cook Inlet Pioneer
June 14, 1916.

The last appearance of this ad is September 13, 1916. Shortly thereafter he is renting a house.

For Sale—House, 12x20, two rooms, furniture, \$225. D. Zarelli, Cigar store on 319 Fourth street. 9-29-3t

Anchorage Daily times & Cook Inlet Pioneer
September 30, 1916.

The only mention of Zarelli after this is as a passenger on various steamers.

YAKUTAT B-1a



Daily Alaska Empire, April 27, 1933.

PERMITS SECURED FOR LEGAL LIQUOR SALES

United States Marshal Albert White, who has charge in the First Division of issuing internal revenue beer and wine licenses has granted permission to sell legal brews and wines to the following:

...Ben Peterson, Yakutat...

ALASKA PACIFIC RAILROAD & TERMINAL CO.



Daily Alaskan, Skagway, May 20, 1907.

RAILROADER FIGHT WITH DYNAMITE

Catalla via Valdez, May 20 - the pile driver of the Copper River & Northwestern railroad construction crew was blown up with dynamite Wednesday night. The pile driver had been placed on the claimed right of way of the Alaska Pacific Railroad company the day before. It is claimed the blowing up is only the start of other hostile moves as a result of the intense rivalry existing between the two companies.

Valdez Daily Prospector, September 19, 1913. RECEIVER NAMED FOR ALASKA ROAD

Seattle, Sept. 19 --A receiver was appointed by the court here yesterday to wind up the affairs of the Alaska Pacific Railroad & Terminal company at Katalla.

The road was built for a short distance out of Katalla toward the Bering River coal fields during the early days of the coal excitement before the blight of conservation was cast over Alaska. The company became involved in a struggle for right of way with the Guggenheims and lost its financial backing. The promoters and stock holders have lost millions of dollars in the venture as the assets of the company consist of a few dilapidated buildings and a quantity of rusty railroad material.



FRED MATTSON

JUNEAU B-48

There is not a lot on Fred Mattson in the LoC until 1936, which is very eventful. Dies are known, but tokens have not been seen.

Wrangell Sentinel, July 31, 1913.

Fred Mattson, a jeweler from the Puget Sound country, arrived in Wrangell on Friday of last week, and will engage in business here.

Alaska Daily Empire, October 10, 1917.

JEWELER IS MARRIED

Hugo Fred Mattson, a jeweler of Juneau, was married this morning by Commissioner N.L. Burton to Maria Kuronen. The couple will reside in Juneau.

Alaska Daily Empire, January 15, 1929.

NOTICE

I have duly appointed Ernest Johnson of Juneau, my lawful agent, to have possession of and control and management and renting all of my real and personal property during my absence and he is hereby authorized to receive all monies due me or to become due me.

Fred Mattson

Something is going on here that is not explained in the newspapers.

Daily Alaska Empire, June 26, 1935.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an application of liquor license has been filed with the Board of Liquor Control by the following:

BEVERAGE DISPENSARY LICENSE by Fred Mattson, on lower Front Street, next to Juneau Cold Storage Company, Juneau, Alaska.

A hearing on this application will be held

Perhaps he did not receive his liquor license, and that is why we have not seen any of the tokens. A token for a saloon would be more appropriate than for a jewelry store. Perhaps the tokens were contemplated for a saloon.

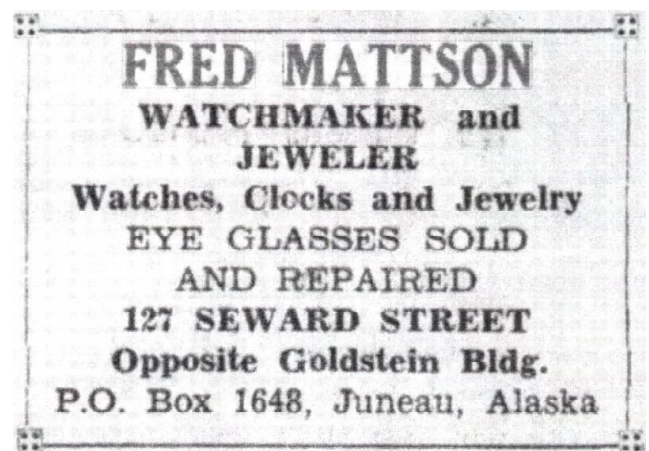
Daily Alaska Empire, July 25, 1936.

NEW JEWELRY STORE WILL BE OPENED HERE.

Fred Mattson, oldtime Juneau watchmaker and present proprietor of the Mattson Rooming House here, will open a jewelry, curio, watchmaking and optical business about the first of August in a Seward street location opposite Charles Goldstein's Fur Store it was announced today.

Mr. Mattson, who just returned from a trip to the interior, has been in Juneau for 25 years and formerly had a shop on South Franklin Street. For fifteen years he was connected with Valentine's Jewelry Store here. He stated he will receive a large shipment of stock from the South in the next few days and will commence alterations and remodeling on his new store immediately.

Daily Alaska Empire, August 8, 1936.



Daily Alaska Empire, November 23, 1936

21 CAUGHT IN HUGE JUNEAU AVALANCHE ONE DEAD, 11 MISSING, NINE INJURED

MAYBE DAYS BEFORE WHOLE STORY IS TOLD

PROPERTIES DESTROYED

The Mattson boarding house, owned by Fred Mattson...

Daily Alaska Empire, November 23, 1936

3 STILL BURIED

...Mrs. Fred Mattson, who operated the Mattson Boarding house.

Daily Alaska Empire, November 28, 1936

FRED MATTSON, CONT.

23 In Slide

Awesome figures today revealed that a total of 23 persons were caught in the mighty cascade of dirt which roared down the sidehill on Gastineau Avenue last Saturday evening around 7:30 o'clock leaving death and destruction in its wake - 15 killed and nine injured.

The total and believed complete death list includes: Mrs. Fred Mattson...

Over the years researching token issuers, it is amazing how many experienced tragedy - through no fault of their own, or by their own hand. And Fred Mattson was not a fortunate name in Alaska. In 1904 a Fred Mattson drowned at Ellamar, and in 1916, another Fred Mattson died at Ellamar, falling down a mine shaft.

Daily Alaska Empire, January 14, 1937.

THIRD SLIDE ACTION FILED AGAINST A-J

Fred Mattson Seeks Damages for Loss of His Wife, Property

The third in a series of actions against the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company, arising out of the November earthslide, was today filed in Federal District Court, by Fred Mattson.

Mr. Mattson asks \$35,946.50 in damages for the death of his wife and loss of property...

His charges are, namely, that the mining company was negligent in its care of the hillside which slid down upon Lower Franklin street, destroying several buildings and reaping a toll of 15 lives.

Daily Alaska Empire, April 20, 1937.

FRED MATTSON PASSES AWAY

Husband of Slide Victim Dies at St. Ann's Hospital This Morning

Five months after the death of his wife in the Juneau landslide, Fred Mattson, owner of the Mattson Boarding House which was completely crushed by the avalanche, died this morning at 6 o'clock at St. Ann's Hospital.

Mattson, who for the past two years has been suffering from diabetes, had traveled to the south at the time of the slide and learned by telegram of the death of his wife and the destruction of his build-

ing.

For close to 20 years a resident of Juneau, Mattson formerly owned the Mattson Jewelry Store and was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Daily Alaska Empire, May 18, 1937.



WATCHES
LEFT FOR REPAIR WITH
MY LATE BROTHER
FRED MATTSON
Please call for within a few
days at New Ideal Curio Shop.
ALL OF HIS WATCH
STOCK FOR SALE
AT
HALF PRICE
C. MATTSSON, Administrator

Daily Alaska Empire, May 19, 1937.

MATTSON JEWELRY STOCK BEING SOLD NOW AT IDEAL SHOP

The remainder of the jewelry stock of the late Fred Mattson, former jeweler, is now being sold at the Ideal Curio Shop, having been placed on sale by Frank Mattson, brother of the deceased.

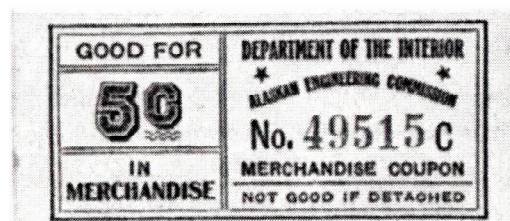
Daily Alaska Empire, June 3, 1938.

MATTSON PROPERTY IS SOLD YESTERDAY

Carl Mattson, administrator for the Fred Mattson estate, sold three lots of the estate yesterday and all transactions were for cash.

COUPON (CHIT) BOOK

Seward Gateway and Alaska Evening Post,



July 31, 1917

Gus Johnson, section laborer at Moose Creek, reports the loss of one partially used twenty-dollar coupon book, No. 20639. If found, please return to the Commissioner's Office, Anchorage.

HOONAH TOKENS

Hoonah Packing Co.



5 Cents, B-1a

20.00



10 Cents, B-1b

20.00



25 Cents, B-1c

20.00



50 Cents, B-1dI

20.00



50 Cents B-1dII

20.00



\$1, B-1e

40.00

Icy Straits Salmon Co.



Set of 4, 10¢ to \$1, B-2, a-d

100.00

10 Cents only, B-2a

20.00

50 Cents only, B-2c

20.00

Icy Strait Point, 40mm aluminum medal. Obv. similar to Hoonah Packing Co.

5.00

BERING RIVER



Hoonah Packing Co., 5¢, B-1a

100.00

WRANGELL



Thomas Dalgity, Star Cigar, 10¢, B-2b

350.00

MODERN TOKENS

BIG LAKE

Klondike Inn, one shot of red eye, brs 32mm **10.00**

CENTRAL

Central Motor Inn, GF one drink, blk on wood **5.00**

CIRCLE CITY

Yukon Trading post, \$1, cn, 40mm **5.00**

CLEAR

Clear Sky Lodge, one beer, white on blk plas. **8.00**

As above, one drink, 39mm alum. **8.00**

CORDOVA

Chamber of Commerce, Ice Worm Fest., 8 Bits, Brass, 39mm **5.00**

Alaskan Hotel & Bar, one drink, white on light blue plastic, 32mm **8.00**

Anchor Bar, one drink, white/blk plas, 39mm **8.00**

Club Bar, 25¢ and 50¢, blk on blue and white plastic, 29mm **8.00**

Moose Lodge 1266, When you get around Tuit, you've got a drink. Blk on red, 40mm **8.00**

As above, 2008, gold on black, Tuit, Well or beer. **8.00**

FAIRBANKS

Alaskaland Expo, 50¢, bras, 32mm **10.00**

Alaskan Dairies Historical Society, Wil Courtney, set of 10, 1980-1989. 42mm plastic, various colors. **20.00**

American Legion Post 11, \$1, brass, 35mm **15.00**

Am. Leg. Post 57, 1988, drink, brs 31mm **5.00**

As above, 1991, pink alum. **5.00**

As above, 1999, purple alum. **5.00**

Arctic Pancake House, \$1, brown on white plastic, 41mm **3.00**

Boatel Bar, Borrowed from the...(drink) wht/blue, 39mm **8.00**

As above, gold on white **8.00**

As above, gold on blue **8.00**

As above, gold on green **8.00**

Comet Club, Drink, gold on blue (sm. let.) **8.00**

As above, large letters. **8.00**

Courtney Court, TUIT, blk/Yel 42mm plas **2.00**

As above, Good Luck, 29mm brass **3.00**

Elks 1551, brass, 34mm. **5.00**

Midnite Mine, (3) Drink tokens. White on red, black and orange, 29mm **15.00**

Moose 1392, drink, gold on red plas, 39mm **8.00**

As above, brass, 34mm **8.00**

As above, gold aluminum, 34mm **5.00**

Pastime Bar, 75¢ Drink, white on light blue, 39mm. **10.00**

As above, 90¢ Drink **10.00**

As above, 75¢ Drink, white on black **10.00**

As above, \$1 Drink, white on red **10.00**

As above, \$1 Drink w/zip code, white on blk **10.00**

Wild Bill's Saloon, one prepaid drink, brs 31mm **8.00**

GALENA

Hobo Benson's Yukon Inn, 75¢, brass, 32mm **12.00**

GLENNALLEN

Glennallen Vending Co., Game Room **3.00**

HAINES

Chamber of Commerce Trade Dollar, 1979/81 Chilkat Chief and Sheldon Jackson, brz. **5.00**

As above, 1981, obverse Bell **5.00**

Elks 2634, one drink, brass, 38mm **8.00**

Wild Strawberry, one free cup of coffee, red on white plastic, 41mm. **5.00**

JUNEAU

Lucky Lady Bar, drink, wht/green plas 32mm **5.00**

KENAI

Eadie's Frontier, \$1.50, 1973, brs, 32mm **7.00**

As above, \$2, 1974 **7.00**

As above, 1975 **7.00**

As above, 1977 **7.00**

As above, \$3, 1978 **7.00**

As above, 1979 **7.00**

As above, \$5, 1981 **7.00**

As above, \$6, 1982 **7.00**

As above, \$7, 1984 **7.00**

As above, \$7.50, 1985 **7.00**

As above, Good Luck Coin, 1988 **7.00**

As above, Kenai Bicentennial, 1991 **7.00**

KETCHIKAN

Alaska Bar, bar drink, gold/red, 30mm **8.00**

Mike's Elbow Room, top shelf, blk/gray, 42mm plastic. Small letters. **8.00**

As above, Cocktail, blk/purple **8.00**

As above, Beer, Blk/Yel, large letters. **8.00**

Moose 224, \$1, alum. 34mm **5.00**

KNIK

Knik Center, 65¢ drink, blk/white, 28mm **20.00**

AUCTION TO BE HELD IN FAIRBANKS

APRIL 13, 2024.

Absentee bids accepted until Noon, April 13 - Auction begins at 7:00PM

By mail: Alaska Rare Coins, 551-B Second Ave., Fairbanks, AK 99701

By phone: 907-452-6461 By email: alaskararecoins@gmail.com

LOT

ESTIMATE

279 Alaska Tokens: Alakanuk , Alstrom Trading Co., Set of 6; 25¢, 50¢, \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20, B-1, a-f. XF or better, six pieces.	80.
280 Alaska Tokens: Anchorage , Cheechako Tavern, 5¢ (B-11a) and 12½¢ (B-11bI). Both XF, 2 pieces.	75.
281 Alaska Token: Fairbanks , Zapel's Restaurant, 10 cents, B-58a, toned AU	25.
282 Alaska Tokens: Gambell , Reindeer Commercial Co., 1¢ to 50¢, B-1 a-e. About VF, 5 pieces.	50.
283 Alaska Tokens: Juneau , New York Exchange. 5¢ (B-53a), 6¼¢ (B-53bI), 10¢ (B-53cII). All VF or better, the 6¼¢ has a hole as is common. 3 pieces.	65.
284 Alaska Tokens: Koyukuk , Verneti, 12½¢, 50¢, \$1, \$5, \$10, B-1a, c-f. All VF or better. Five pieces.	100.
285 Alaska Tokens: Kwiguk , Alstrom. 25¢, 50¢, \$1, \$5, (2) \$10, B-1 a-f. As usual, the three lower denominations are in wretched condition, while the upper three are XF or better. This is a neat set because of the (2) \$10 tokens: one the only triangular Alaska token, and the other is red fiber. 6 pieces.	70.
286 Alaska Tokens: Noorvik , Noorvik Cooperative Store, 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents, \$1 and \$5, B-1 a-f. The 5¢ and \$5 are VG, the rest are AU. Six pieces.	60.
287 Alaska Tokens: Savoonga , Reindeer Commercial Co., 1 cent to 50 cents, B-1 a-f. All are VF or better except the 25¢ with edge damage. Five pieces.	50.
288 Alaska Tokens: Shishmaref , Native Store. 5, 10, 25 and 50 cents, \$1, B-1 a-e. EF or better. Five pieces.	50.
289 Fairbanks Coin Club Pioneer Medal Sets , struck in sterling silver and bronze. The first Fairbanks Coin Club medal celebrated the First Annual State Coin Convention in 1965 (a second was held in Anchorage in 1968), with a circumpolar map on the obverse, and what became the standard "Fairbanks, The Golden Heart of Alaska" and gold panner on the reverse. The inaugural medal of the "Alaskan Pioneer" series was issued in 1972 honoring Bob Bartlett. Nine more sets follow: 1973 Austin E. Lathrop; 1974 Sidney Laurence; 1975 Noel Wien; 1976 Bob Reeve; 1977 Charles and Anna Creamer; 1978 Leonhard Seppala; 1979 Andrew Nerland; 1980 James Wickersham; and 1981 Jeff Studdert. The first four silver medals contain about .866 troy ounces ASW each, while the last seven sets contain about .753 troy ounce ASW each. There is about 8.475 total ASW. Eleven sets of silver and bronze medals housed in a custom Capital Plastics holder.	300.+
290 Kiwanis Steam Railroad - Moose Gooser, serial #2! 1967 with Purchase Centennial Totem. The train is "goosing" a moose. There are two varieties; train going to the right and train going to the left. This is a set of (3) medals. There are (2) cupronickel medals with the trains going in opposite directions. The third medal is brass with the train going to the right. The brass is unnumbered, but the cupronickel medals have the low serial #2! These are mint state and very attractive. Three pieces.	100.+
291 Low Serial Number Silver Medals . These are the first two medals we had minted: 25th Anniversary of Alaska Statehood, 1984 (#03), and the State Purchase of the Alaska Railroad, 1985 (#003). Both contain 1 troy oz. of silver. We found these during inventory. They have been hiding in plain sight at the shop for nearly 40 years. A neat way to own some silver.	100.+
292 Alaska Mint State of Alaska Error Medals . Alaska Mint first produced the State medals in 1992. Proofs were to have a plain edge with metal statement and serial number. Proof-Likes had a reeded edge. This 1992 medal has a plain edge without lettering. This is also the most difficult of the 1 oz. silver medals to obtain. Also included is a 1995 ½ oz. silver medal with a reeded edge. normally, the ½ oz. silver medals had a plain edge. Both pieces are nice BU/Proof examples. Two medals.	100.-200.
293 Iditarod 1 oz. Silver Medal , 1995. Only 5,000 were minted. Original packaging.	75.-100.
294 State of Alaska ½ Oz. Gold Medal , 2007. A scene of nesting geese graces the obverse of that year. This is a rare medal with only 28 struck. After a time, most of these medals develop "red" spots. We see a few very weak spots, but that is all.	1,200.
295 Centennial of Tanana Chiefs Conference , 2015, one ounce silver medal with gold relief on both sides. Depicted on the obverse are the six original Chiefs. Struck by the Alaska Mint	75.

APRIL 13 AUCTION

LOT

ESTIMATE

- 296 **State of Alaska Medals**, 2016. Depicted on the obverse is an Alaskan Gray Wolf designed by Fairbanks artist Steve Cross. Included here are the ½ oz and 1/10 oz. with very low mintages of 100 each. The obverse of these have a special coating that give them a gold color. This was to protect the surface so they can be used in jewelry. Originally these sold for \$55. 50.+
- 297 **Jack London Medal**, 1976, honoring the centennial of his birth. Struck by the Moscow Mint in sterling silver, the obverse features a portrait of Jack London and a facsimile signature. The reverse has a typical mountain and lake scene. This is number 3984 of 4000. London was a well known Socialist and Marxist of his day, and idolized by the leaders of the Soviet Union. The medal is 41mm and contains about .96 troy oz. ASW. 75.
- 298 (2) **Anniversary of the Discovery of “Russian America” Bronze Medals**, 1991. These are very large medals, 65mm in diameter. The first has a portrait of Bering on the obverse, and a view of the Bering monument on Bering Island where he died. The second has the ship St. Peter on the obverse and a map of the voyage from Kamchatka, along the Aleutians, into the Gulf of Alaska and return on the reverse. The Soviet Union had a tyrannical system, but some of the medallic art is outstanding. 100.
- 301 **Harry B. Avakoff Nuggeted Butterfly 14k Pin**. It is rare for us to find a jewelry item with the Avakoff stamp. After 43 years this is about the third piece we have discovered. This pin is 1½” wide and 1½” tall. The back is 14k and the nuggeting is on the wings. The total weight is .324 troy ounces. Avakoff operated his store up until the early 1970s. Before we merged, Dick’s coin shop was located in the Avakoff building next to the Co-Op which is now Gold Rush Jewelry. A unique opportunity to own a piece of our history. 800.-1,000.



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